

**CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION**

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**To: California building departments, contractors, HERS raters, and other interested parties.**

This is to inform you that in addition to the two HERS Providers approved at the November 18, 2009 Energy Commission Business Meeting (which included the approval of CalCERTS and CHEERS), the California Energy Commission has approved the California Building Performance Contractors Association (CBPCA) as a Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Provider for HERS raters performing field verification and diagnostic testing of Alterations for residential and non-residential projects under the 2008 Building Energy Efficiency Standards, effective April 7, 2010.

In addition to CBPCA being approved as a HERS Provider, the Energy Commission has approved Enalaysys as a Third-Party Quality Control Program. The approval of Enalaysys as a Third-Party Quality Control Program for alterations under the 2008 Building Energy Efficiency Standards means that for building permits pulled on and after April 7, 2010, projects done under these permits will be able to be included in sample groups of up to thirty dwellings (or HVAC units) under the Third-Party Quality Control Program rules.

To summarize:

- CBPCA raters, who were certified by CBPCA as HERS raters on or after April 7, 2010, can conduct HERS verification and diagnostic testing of alterations permitted on and after April 7, 2010;
- Enalaysys equipment may now be used for the initial testing by an installer of sample groups of up to thirty (30) dwellings or HVAC units, but only for projects permitted on or after April 7, 2010. Any projects permitted prior to April 7, 2010 for which Enalaysys was used for initial testing by an installer must be limited to sample groups of no more than seven (7).

**The table below indicates the capabilities of each HERS Provider for the 2008 Building Standards at this time:**

<b>HERS Provider</b>	<b>Alterations</b>	<b>Newly Constructed</b>	<b>NSHP</b>
CalCERTS	√	√	√
CHEERS	√	√	√
CBPCA	√	-	-

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